

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

| 1. (original) An alkali-free glass which comprises:

SiO₂ in an amount of from 40 to 70% by weight;

Al₂O₃ in an amount of from 6 to 25% by weight;

B₂O₃ in an amount of from 5 to 20% by weight;

MgO in an amount of from 0 to 10% by weight;

CaO in an amount of from 0 to 15% by weight;

BaO in an amount of from 0 to 30% by weight;

SrO in an amount of from 0 to 10% by weight;

ZnO in an amount of from 0 to 10% by weight,

each based on the total amount of said glass, and

helium and/or neon in an amount of from 0.0001 to 2 µl/g (0°C, 1 atm.).

2. (original) The alkali-free glass according to claim 1, which further comprises a fining component.

3. (original) The alkali-free glass according to claim 2, wherein the fining component is at least one selected from the group consisting of SO₃, Sb₂O₃, SnO₂ and Cl₂.

4. (original) The alkali-free glass according to claim 3, wherein SO₃ is contained in an amount of from 0.0001 to 0.03 % by weight based on the total amount of said glass.

5. (original) The alkali-free glass according to claim 3, wherein Sb₂O₃ is contained in an amount of from 0.05 to 3 % by weight based on the total amount of said glass.

6. (original) The alkali-free glass according to claim 3, wherein SnO₂ is contained in an amount of from 0.05 to 1 % by weight based on the total amount of said glass.

7. (original) The alkali-free glass according to claim 3, wherein Cl₂ is contained in an amount of from 0.005 to 1 % by weight based on the total amount of said glass.

8. (currently amended) A transparent glass substrate for a liquid crystal display which is obtainable by the alkali-free glass according to ~~any one of claims 1 to 7~~ claim 1.